DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

Here we have no rules on the subject. As far as I understand, every one who comes to the Hospital is entitled to a supply of medicine.

Dr. A. R. MENON.

Except the poor.

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

It is absurd.

Dr. A. R. MENON.

Why? I shall prove it.

Mr. E. IKKANDA WARIAR.

May I know whether the department has issued any instructions to the Hospitals and Dispensaries to see whether they are poor or not, before supplying medicines? I mean to ask whether the department has framed any rules for the guidance at least of the mofussil Hospitals, i. e., to the effect that medicines should be given only to poor people?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

No rules and instructions have been issued.

In-patients, Doctors, etc., in the Trichur Hospital.

Mr. E. IKKANDA WARIAR.

289. Will the Government be pleased to state (a) the number of in-patients and out-patients admitted into the Trichur Hospital for the last two years;

(b) The number of doctors employed in that Hospital during the same period;

(c) A statement showing their work?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

	1099.	1100.
(a) In-patients	1,094	1,358
Out-patients	22,433	26,632

(b) In 1099 there were 5 Medical Officers—1 Civil Surgeon, 1 Assistant Surgeon and 3 Sub-Assistant Surgeons. In 1100 there were 6 Medical Officers—1 Civil Surgeon, 2 Assistant Surgeons, and 3 Sub-Assistant Surgeons.

(c) In 1099, the Civil Surgeon was in charge of the institution. The Assistant Surgeon and one of the Sub-Assistant Surgeons were working in the In-patients' department. The other two Sub-Assistant Surgeons were working in the Out-patients' department.

In 1100, the Civil Surgeon was in charge; one of the Assistant Surgeons was deputed for medical inspection of schools for the most part of the year, and on his rejoining duty in the Hos-

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pital in Meenam, he was put in charge of the Out-patients' department with one of the Sub-Assistant Surgeons. The remaining Assistant Surgeon and two Sub-Assistant Surgeons were working in the In-patients' department.

Certain appointments in the Medical Department.

Dr. A. G. MENON.

290. (1) Will the Government be pleased to state whether a Cochinite, Mr. C. K. Krishna Menon, L. M. S. of Madras University had applied for a post in the Medical Department in Tulam 1099?

(2) Were not the said Mr. Krishna Menon and Mr. Jacob, L. M. P., volunteering in the General Hospital, Ernakulam? If so, from what date to what date?

(3) Were any appointments made in the department subsequent to the applications of the above gentlemen? If so, how many were appointed? What were their qualifications, and when were they appointed?

(4) Were the claims of the above gentlemen considered then? If not, why not?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

(1) Yes.

(2) Yes. Mr. C. K. Krishna Menon from 30th April 1924 (18th Medam 1099) to 16th June 1925 (3rd Mithunam 1100), Mr. Jacob from 3rd May 1924 (21st Medam 1099) to 16th June 1925 (3rd Mithunam 1100).

(3) Three were appointed as Sub-Assistant Surgeons. All three are L. M. P. s. One was taken on as an acting Sub-Assistant Surgeon from 4th Makaram 1099 and the others from 14th Edavam 1099.

(4) Mr. C. K. Krishna Menon is an L. M. & S., Madras University, and his claims were not considered, as there was no vacancy in the Assistant Surgeon's grade. In the end of 1100 he consented to accept a Sub-Assistant Surgeon's place, but there was no vacancy then. Mr. Jacob's claims were not lost sight of when making the appointments.

Dr. A. G. MENON.

Answer to sub-division (iv). May I know whether the said Mr. Krishna Menon has put in an application that he was willing to work as a Sub-Assistant Surgeon in the Leper Asylum?

DIWAN BAHADUR Dr. V. VERGHESE.

It is a fact that he had put in an application for the post of the Sub-Assistant Surgeon in the Leper Asylum. But the

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